

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

MARTIN E. FERMANN, et al. 3

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Examiner: K. NGUYEN

Group Art Unit: 2874

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RESPONSE

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the election requirement issued by the Examiner on March 26, 2003,

Applicants respond as follows: